whether farmer, rancher, tribe member, fisherman or environmental activist—embrace compromise and seek understanding. The working group's rapid progress, combined with the efforts of Senator Gordon Smith and Representative Greg Walden, give me great hope for a lasting solution to the challenges of the Klamath River Basin.

# Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

#### March 23

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled from Monterrey, Mexico, to Lima, Peru, arriving in the afternoon.

In the afternoon, the President met with U.S. Embassy personnel. Later, in the Presidential Palace, he met with Presidents Alejandro Toledo of Peru, Andres Pastrana of Colombia, and Jorge Fernando Quiroga Ramirez of Bolivia, and Vice President Pedro Pinto Rubianes of Ecuador to discuss the Andean Trade Preferences Act and other regional issues.

## March 24

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to San Salvador, El Salvador.

In the afternoon, the President participated in a luncheon meeting at the Casa Presidencial with Prime Minister Said Musa of Belize and Presidents Francisco Flores Perez of El Salvador, Alfonso Portillo of Guatemala, Ricardo Madura of Honduras, Enrique Bolanos of Nicaragua, Miguel Angel Rodriguez of Costa Rica, and Mireya Elisa Moscoso of Panama to discuss trade and other regional issues. Later, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to Washington, DC, arriving in the evening.

# March 25

In the morning, the President had CIA and FBI briefings and met with the National Se-

curity Council. Then, in the Oval Office, he met with Prime Minister Anders Fogh Rasmussen of Denmark to discuss cooperation against terrorism, issues related to NATO, and the Prime Minister's role as incoming President of the European Union. Later, also in the Oval Office, he met with leaders of the Lubavitch Jewish community to sign a ceremonial copy of Proclamation 7534—Education and Sharing Day, U.S.A., 2002, and commemorate the 100th birthday of Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson, a Lubavitch leader who died in 1994.

## March 26

In the morning, the President had CIA and FBI briefings.

In the afternoon, the President met with Prime Minister Helen Clark of New Zealand in the Oval Office.

The President announced his intention to appoint the following individuals as members of the Board of Directors of the Legal Services Corporation: Frank B. Strickland, Michael McKay, Thomas A. Fuentes, Lillian R. BeVier, and Robert J. Dieter.

### March 27

In the morning, the President traveled to Greenville, SC. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had a telephone conversation with Chairman Hamid Karzai of the Afghan Interim Authority to express his condolences concerning the earthquakes that struck northern Afghanistan on March 25–26.

In the afternoon, the President traveled to Atlanta, GA. In the evening, he traveled to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

## March 28

In the morning, the President traveled to Dallas, TX. In the afternoon, he returned to the Bush Ranch in Crawford.

The President announced his intention to nominate Charlotte A. Lane to be a member of the U.S. International Trade Commission.

The President announced his intention to nominate Carolyn Y. Peoples to be Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

The President announced his intention to nominate Bruce R. James to be the Public Printer.

## March 29

In the morning, the President had a teleconference meeting with the National Security Council.

The President announced the recess appointment of Dennis L. Schornack as Commissioner and Chairman of the International Joint Commission—United States and Canada.

The President announced the recess appointment of Emil H. Frankel as Assistant Secretary of Transportation for Transportation Policy.

The President announced the recess appointment of Jeffrey Shane as Associate Deputy Secretary of Transportation.

The President announced the recess appointment of Michael E. Toner as a member of the Federal Election Commission.

The President announced the recess appointment of Gerald Reynolds as Assistant Secretary of Education for Civil Rights.

# Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

# **Checklist** of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

## Released March 23

Transcript of a press briefing by National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice

Fact sheet: The President's Trip to Peru and Meeting with Andean Leaders

Fact sheet: U.S.-Peruvian Cooperation on Counternarcotics

Fact sheet: U.S. Support for Democracy in Peru

Fact sheet: Renewal of Peace Corps Program in Peru

Fact sheet: U.S.-Peru Debt Agreement Under the Tropical Forest Conservation Act

Fact sheet: U.S.-Peru Memorandum of Understanding for the Protection of Cultural Patrimony

Fact sheet: Food Assistance to Peru Under U.S. PL-480 Program

Fact sheet: Andean Center of Excellence for Teacher Training

Fact sheet: Andean Regional Initiative

Fact sheet: Andean Trade Preference Act

Fact sheet: E-Business Fellowship for the Andean Region

## Released March 24

Transcript of a press briefing by Secretary of State Colin L. Powell and Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Fact sheet: U.S.-El Salvador Relations

#### Released March 25

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

# Released March 26

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Ari Fleischer

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 3986

Fact sheet: President Announces Nominees for Key Health Posts

#### Released March 27

Transcript of a press gaggle by Deputy Press Secretary Claire Buchan

Announcement: Mutual Aid Agreements: Support for First-Responders Outside Major Metropolitan Areas

## Released March 29

Transcript of a press gaggle by Assistant Press Secretary Gordon Johndroe